IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Johnson

COMPUTER-ASSISTED PARTS SALES METHOD

Docket No.: 7709.18US03 Filed: Oct. 10, 1992

Examiner: R. Bayerl

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- X Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing certificate under 37 CFR 1.8.
- A certified copy of a _ application, Serial No. _, filed _, 199_, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- A Request for Extension of Time for _ months and fee of \$_.
- A check in the amount of \$_, for _.
- A return postcard. Х

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Х Other: Affidavit of Jerome D. Johnson (2 pp.).

Amendment X No Additional fee is required The fee has been calculated as shown: Х

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| TOTAL CLAIMS | | - | = | | x 11 = | \$ | or | x 22 = | \$ |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | | • | 3 = | | x 37 = | \$ | or | x 74 = | \$ |
| () FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | +115 = | \$ | or | + 230 = | \$ |
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Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 18th day of January, 1994

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filed October 13, 1992, which is a continuation of application serial no. 07/435,809 filed November 13,

1989).

RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 10, 1993, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

Applicant's representative thanks Examiner Bayerl for the telephone interviews summarized in the Examiner Interview Summary Records attached to the Office Action.

The Examiner rejected claims 45, 47-55, and 59 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for obviousness in view of the Read Me First, CWC, Inc., June 1988 reference submitted in Applicant's Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant submits herewith an Affidavit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 in order to show that the Read Me First manuals are not prior art to the present invention within the meaning of section